



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois wish to thank the Hinsdale Junior Woman's
4 Club for its work supporting the Gus Foundation and its efforts
5 to find a cure and treatment for pediatric brain tumors, the
6 leading cause of cancer-related deaths of children; and

7 WHEREAS, The Gus Foundation was co-founded in 1995 by
8 Eleanor Evangelides after her 21 month old son, Gus, died from
9 a pediatric brain tumor; the Foundation funds research for
10 pediatric brain tumors through a partnership with the
11 Children's Memorial Medical Center in Chicago; funds raised by
12 the Gus Foundation are critical to furthering that research
13 since pediatric cancers currently only receive three percent of
14 the national funding for cancer research and brain tumor
15 research receives only a portion of that; and

16 WHEREAS, On February 21, 2004, the Hinsdale Junior Woman's
17 Club will be conducting a major benefit for the Gus Foundation;
18 the celebration will feature speaker Jill Conner Brown, the
19 well-known New York Times best-selling author of the Sweet
20 Potato Queen books; last year, the benefit generated over
21 \$112,000 for the Gus Foundation; and

22 WHEREAS, The Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club is an affiliate
23 of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, an international
24 organization, and is dedicated to community improvement by
25 enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service; its
26 purpose is to offer members a network of resources and
27 opportunities while serving as a leader of volunteer and
28 philanthropic service; therefore, be it

29 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
30 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
31 thank the Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club for its work supporting

1 the Gus Foundation; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club as an expression
4 of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for a successful
5 benefit.